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Upcoming Events

- Sept. 19th TTD Commission Meeting at 7:00 pm at Van Zilen Hall 51 Van Zant Street
- Oct. 18th Blood Drive 7:00 pm at Van Zilen Hall 51 Van Zant Street

FERC delays LICAP in SWCT

It's called "alphabet soup" and this is what it means to you. The Federal Electric Regulatory Commission has delayed a plan by the operator of the New England Power Pool to impose Locational Installed Capacity charges that would have dramatically increased electric costs in Southwest Connecticut until after October 1, 2006. The plan to charge this region for the lack of adequate generation and transmission capacity was strongly opposed by state and federal elected officials including CT Attorney General Blumenthal and our members of the US Congress.

In the face of this opposition federal energy regulators wisely delayed the start of these new charges. Senator Duff, Representative Perone, Senators Lieberman and Dodd, Governor Rell and other elected officials were vocally opposed to this ill advised plan. A delegation of commissioners and managers from TTD and other municipal electric companies throughout the state had lobbied in Washington last winter in opposition to this charge.

It is important to consider that, while we did delay the Power Pool plan to charge for capacity, the price of energy is at an all time high. We must conserve energy in all forms including electricity as a way of stabilizing costs. A simple way for you to save is to "wait til eight" before washing clothes or dishes or running high energy appliances in your home. We must all work together.

American Red Cross Blood Drive on Oct. 18th, 2005 at the East Norwalk Library

Business of the Month

Andy's back!!!

Andy Kydes tried to retire from his shoe repair business two years ago. Having worked in his family's shoe repair business for longer than he cares to remember Andy forgot the one thing he would miss the most during retirement – the people. Anyone who has had the good fortune to have a pair of shoes repaired at Champion will remember the good natured banter that was as much a quality of the business transaction as was the craftsmanship of the shoe repair. As the business began to falter under the new management, Andy realized he was the happiest working with leather and talking to the people. As Andy says: "The smell of leather gets in your blood".

The Kydes family had been in the shoe repair business somewhere in Norwalk since 1915 and Andy had been working with his family as long as he can remember. Andy eventually took over the family business and his Champion Shoe Repair, once located in downtown Norwalk, was forced to leave after the

1955 flood. The store has been at its present location at 12 Rowan Street, across the street from what was the back entrance to the Norwalk Factory Outlet Stores, for 23 years. His building was once the location of the Pink Rooster Ceramic Store.

As Andy's expertise with leather has grown, so has his business. From being a craftsman in the repair of heels and soles of shoes, the shop now handles any problem with anything leather including the repair of pocket-books, the replacement of zippers to the repair of rips in leather gloves and leather jackets.

Champion Shoe Repair is one of the best places anywhere around for cloth shoe dying. Have a gown that needs a pair of shoes to match? Bring it to Andy and he will have you a coordinated outfit within a few days. Just in time for your prom or the next wedding you attend.

Maybe one of East Norwalk's best kept secrets, especially for all the men

Champion Shoe Repair



Located at 12 Rowan Street, Champion Shoe Repair continues a Kydes family tradition of fine shoe repair in Norwalk since 1915.

out there who can't throw away a pair of shoes, Champion Shoe Repair is a great way to prolong the life of your leather shoes and accessories. It's also a way to meet one of the friendliest entrepreneurs in East Norwalk. Make it a point to find out for yourself.

Katrina Aid

Many people in East Norwalk have called asking if we knew where to send donations to aid the victims of hurricane Katrina.

AmeriCares of Stamford is accepting financial donations to support its relief efforts for those affected by the Hurricane. Credit card contributions can be made by calling 1-800-486-HELP or logging onto www.americares.org.

Checks can be sent to:

AmeriCares
88 Hamilton Avenue
Stamford, CT 06902

Library Happenings

Schedule of Upcoming Events

Blood Drive

October 18th, 2005
from 1:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
at Van Zilen Hall
51 Van Zant Street